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SUBJECT: OECD SUPPORT FOR ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREEMENT

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1. SUMMARY. SWEDISH GOVERNMENT ENDORSES US VIEW THAT A  
DECLARATION BY THE OECD MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE IMPORTANCE  
OF AN ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREEMENT IS DESIRABLE. END SUMMARY.

2. THE SWEDISH MFA HAS RESPONDED TO THE EMBASSY'S TRANSMISSION  
OF THE SECRETARY'S LETTER TO FOREIGN MINISTER SODER CON-  
CERNING AN ILLICIT PAYMENTS AGREEMENT BY A LETTER WHICH STATES:  
"THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT ATTACHES GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE WORK  
CARRIED OUT IN THE ECOSOC WORKING GROUP ON CORRUPT PRACTICES.  
WE HAVE STRESSED THIS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, FOR EXAMPLE, AT  
THE RECENT MEETING IN VIENNA OF THE UN COMMISSION ON TRANS-  
NATIONAL CORPORATIONS.... WE SHARE YOUR VIEW THAT A  
DECLARATION BY THE MINISTERS AT THE OECD MINISTERIAL MEETING  
ON THE IMPORTANCE OF REACHING AN AGREEMENT WOULD GIVE  
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IMPETUS TO THE EFFORTS MADE IN THE ECOSOC."

3. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ALSO FORWARDED THE SWEDISH  
STATEMENT ON CORRUPT PRACTICES MADE AT THE MEETING OF  
THE UN COMMISSION ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN  
VIENNA, MAY 15-26. EMBASSY ASSUMES DEPARTMENT HAS THE  
TEXT OF THIS STATEMENT.

4. IN A SEPARATE CONVERSATION WITH AN EMBASSY OFFICIAL,  
THE SWEDISH MINISTRY OF JUSTICE OFFICIAL WHO  
IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SWEDEN'S SUBSTANTIVE POSITION ON THE  
ILLICIT PAYMENTS QUESTION SAID THAT THE SWEDES ARE KEEN  
ON SUCH AN AGREEMENT. HE THOUGHT THEY COULD GO  
ALONG WITH ANY AGREEMENT FOLLOWING THE GENERAL LINES AS  
DEBATED IN THE ECOSOC MEETING OF LAST WINTER. THE  
SWEDISH DEFINITION OF BRIBERY, HE SAID, IS BROADER THAN  
THAT OF THE ECOSOC PROPOSALS AND ALREADY SWEDEN'S  
CRIMINAL LAW PROVISIONS REACH TO PRIVATE AS WELL AS  
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. IN SHORT, HE THOUGHT,  
SWEDISH VIEWS IN CONTRAST TO THOSE OF SOME GOVERNMENTS, ARE NOT  
IMPEDED BY SWEDISH NATIONAL LAW OR OUTLOOK.  
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